

Commission's Grant Application Form

Shelby County Board of Commissioners

GRANT APPLICATION

Legal Name of the Organization:	Boy Scouts of America, 558 Chickasaw Council
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

First Name	Richard
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Last Name	Fisher
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GENERAL CONTACT FOR THIS REQUEST(if other than Executive Director)

First Name	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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Last Name	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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Title:	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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DESCRIPTION OF GRANT REQUEST

Program/Project Area:	Emerging Markets
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Amount Requested	10,000.00
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Total Organizational budget (for current year):	3,137,637
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Total Project/Program Budget:	11,995.00
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Dates covered by this budget:	January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016
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Project/Program Name:	Emerging Markets
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INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND OF ORGANIZATION

Please summarize in a short paragraph the purpose of your agency. Briefly explain why your agency is requesting this grant, what outcomes you hope to achieve, and how you will spend the funds if a grant is made.

Our agency is a youth leadership program designed to instill values in young people that will help them make moral and ethical decisions over the course of their lifetime. We focus on character development, citizenship training and fitness. We are requesting this grant to support our emerging markets program. This program focuses on families in communities which are financially depressed. In these communities we provide assistance with registration fees, program supplies, uniforms, camp scholarships and in many cases paid leadership. In the communities we are targeting, volunteer leadership is not always available or consistent. We require detailed background checks tat some adults do not wish to complete. Our goal is to establish sustainable Cub packs in areas where Scouting has been absent. In the first year of the program many of the start up costs are covered by the Chickasaw Council. As the unit becomes established, community service projects and product sales are introduced so that the unit becomes self sufficient.

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Narrative - Organization

Current programs and accomplishments. Please emphasize the achievements of the recent past.

We have established units in schools, churches and community centers around Memphis. By having paid leadership we have increased retention youth in these targeted units by 25%. Advancement has increased over 2015. We have been able to focus on outdoor program experiences for all Scout by participating in weekend camping, Summer resident Camp, Day Camps and Camporees, Merit Badge Colleges, High Adventure activities and pinewood derbies.

Numbers of paid full-time staff:	21
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Number of paid part-time staff: 10

Number of volunteers: 2500

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Narrative - Funding Request

Please describe the program/project for which you seek funding and include how it will benefit the general welfare of residents in Shelby County, TN.

We will organize a traditional Cub Pack within Shelby County that has a high percentage of families who receive free or reduced school meals. Our structure requires us to identify two paid staff leaders to deliver the Scouting program to youth. This is a National standard for our youth protection requirements. Each would work one and a half hours per week for forty weeks. Additionally, we will offer Day Camp and summer resident camp opportunities for these youth members. These young men, ages 8-10 years old will actively participate in outdoor programs learning about nature. Scouting allows boys to be involved in experiential learning. They will also participate in fitness activities. Additionally these young people will practice leadership skills in their Dens and Pack. Values found in the Scout Oath and Law will be instilled in them over the course of several years.

General Operating Support

If applying for general operating support, briefly describe how this grant will be used.

The funds will be used to cover registration fees, camping fees, uniforms, books, program supplies and staff. Additionally, there may be need for funding to complete specific service projects for the chartering organization that sponsors the unit

Project Support

Please explain the specific project including a statement of its primary purpose and the need or problem that you are seeking to address.

The specific project is Scouting, just like you'd find in the more affluent areas of Memphis and surrounding counties. The Scouting curriculum is proven. Delivery of the program is implemented slightly differently due to cost of participating in the program and providing leadership. In the first year the Chickasaw Council pays for the majority of expenses while establishing a plan for the unit to become self sufficient. This process generally takes two to three years. Boys learning style are different from girls. They tend to be more hands on. We want to provide a positive outlet for these young men.

How does the project contribute to your organization's overall mission?

This project reaches youth who are not typically served in Scouting. Our goal is to extend the Scouting programs to communities who want it regardless of their ability to afford, or who have had previous experience with the Scouting. Preparing young people for life is our goal. Scouting is one way of achieving that objective. We partner community resources with caring adults with a program that has proven to be successful in developing leaders for more than 100 years

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Narrative - Evaluation

Please explain how you will measure the effectiveness of your activities. Describe your criteria for a successful program and the results you expect to have achieved by the end of the funding period.

The National Council of the Boy Scouts of America has developed a set of objectives it uses to measure the effectiveness of Scout Councils, Districts and Scout units. Specifically, we would measure: Trained leaders, retention, number of youth who advance, along with the number of youth who participate in summer camp experiences.

Attachments:

If your request is under \$25,000 please attach the following:

1. Copy of the entity's 501 (c) 3 certificate for charitable organizations or 501 (c) 4 certificate for civic organizations
2. Most recent IRS Form 990 or Financial Statements (balance sheet and income statement) as of the most recent fiscal year end certified by Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer of the entity.
3. Complete Budget for grant request

If your request is \$25,000 or more please attach the following:

1. Copy of the entity's 501 (c) 3 certificate for charitable organizations or 501 (c) 4 certificate for civic organizations
2. Copy of an annual audit as of a date within 18 months of the start of the current fiscal year.
3. Complete Budget for grant request

File 1

[2016 IRS Letter - 1.pdf](#)

File 2 [BSA 12.31.15 Audited TB- Operating.pdf](#)

File 3 [Emerging Market Program Budget for one Chartering Organization.docx](#)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Read, and if you agree to the provisions, sign the following:

The information provided has been submitted in good faith and as completely as our records and recollections permit.

I understand that the information provided in this application shall be open to inspection upon filing with the office of the Shelby County Board of Commissioners.

Signature: Richard L. Fisher

Printed Name: Richard L. Fisher

Date 10/14/2016
